

13.08.015 – Definitions

- A. City of St. Charles Municipal Electrical Utility (SCMEU). The City of St. Charles Municipal Electric Utility (SCMEU) is an "Illinois Municipal Utility" which, since 1892 to the present time, has been owned and operated by the city of St. Charles, Illinois pursuant to a continuum of State of Illinois Constitutional and Statutory Authority (e.g., Common Law, Statutes prior to 1913; "Municipal Ownership Act" of 1913; 65 ILCS 5/11-117-1 to 11-117-14 and 11-119-1 to 11-119-5).
(Ord. 1996-M-53 § 28.)
- B. Customer. Any person, partnership, corporation or other legal entity that has a contractual or other arrangement with SCMEU whereby SCMEU provides service to customer premises.
- C. Customer premises (CP). Any land, space or area, e.g., single family residence, apartment, condominium, store, office, factory, etc., which is to be occupied by a customer and which is served by one or more separate customer electrical distribution systems.
- D. Customer Electrical Installation (CEI). Electric service apparatus, electric wiring, lighting, apparatus, and equipment of all sorts which are located on Customer premises for the utilization of electric energy distributed by SCMEU.
- E. Secondary Voltage Point of Connection (SVPC). An input point of connection of a secondary voltage power source to a customer electrical installation (CEI).
- F. Municipal Utility Electrical System (MUES). Land and land rights; structures and improvements; station equipment; poles, towers, and fixtures; overhead conductors and fixtures; underground conduits; underground conductors and devices; transformers; system protection; and cables, conductors, conduits, poles and apparatus of every sort by which electric energy is transmitted to customer electrical installations.
- G. Customer Electrical Distribution System (CEDS). That portion of the "Municipal Utility Electrical System" apportioned to serve a "Customer Electrical Installation."
- H. Primary Voltage Point of Connection (PVPC). An input point of connection of a primary voltage power source to a customer electrical distribution system.
- I. Customer Connection (CC). That portion of the Municipal Utility Electrical System (MUES) connecting a Customer Electrical Distribution System to a Customer Electrical Installation.
- J. New Electric Service (NES). Electric service, of any kind, to a Customer Electrical Installation (CE) not served by a Customer Connection (CC).
- K. Upgraded Electric Service (UES). Any upgrade of electric service to a Customer Electrical Installation (CE).
- L. Temporary Customer Connection (TCC). A temporary Customer Connection that will be removed after a short period of time, e.g., a temporary connection used during construction on Customer Premises; or a temporary connection to accommodate a casual use of premises.
- M. Permanent Customer Connection (PCC). A permanent Customer Connection to an established Customer.
- N. Service. "Service" is used in its broadest and most inclusive sense, and includes not only the use or accommodation afforded Customers, but also "any product or commodity furnished by SCMEU; and the plant, equipment, apparatus, property and facilities employed by, or in connection with, SCMEU performing any service or in furnishing any product or commodity and devoted to the purposes in which SCMEU is engaged and to the use and accommodation of the public.
- O. Rate. "Rate" includes every rate, charge, fee, rental or other compensation of SCMEU or any schedule or tariff thereof, and any rule, regulation, charge, practice or contract relating thereto.
- P. Charge. "Charge" is used in its broadest and most inclusive sense, and includes any and all billing rendered by SCMEU, or on behalf of SCMEU, as compensation of SCMEU for Service rendered.
- Q. Monthly Customer Charge. A Charge fixed by Ordinance for maintaining Service to an established Customer. This is the minimum monthly charge to a Customer.
- R. Energy Charge. A unit Charge fixed by Ordinance for electric energy supplied to a Customer.
- S. Demand Charge. A unit Charge fixed by Ordinance for the maximum metered demand within a stated period of time, e.g., month.
- T. Customer Service Classes.
 - 1. Residential Service (RS). Residential Service means Service to (a) a single family residence; (b) each living unit of an apartment building, condominium, or other multiple unit dwelling; and each trailer space in a trailer park; however, Residential Service does not include service to hotels and motels.
 - 2. Street Lighting Service (SLS). Street lighting service means service to a governmental entity for dusk to dawn illumination.
 - 3. General Service (GS). General Service means Service other than Residential Service and Street Lighting Service.
- U. In Place Cost (IPC). The cost of an electric system installation, e.g., a Customer Electrical Distribution System (CEDS), and/or a Customer Connection (CC), as determined by the most recent experience in the construction of similar installations in the area served by SCMEU; or a reasoned estimate of costs to be

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incurred by construction of a proposed electric system installation.

- V. Service Origination Connection Charge (SOCC). A Charge corresponding to the In Place Cost of the Customer Electrical Distribution System allocated to serve a Customer Premises.
- W. Administrative Enrollment Charge (AEC). A Charge corresponding to the costs incurred in processing an application for electric service.
- X. Service Enrollment Connection Charge (SECC). A Charge corresponding to the In Place cost of a Customer Connection; and an Administrative Enrollment Charge.
- Y. Service Upgrade Charge (SUC). A Charge corresponding to the In Place cost of providing any requested Upgraded Electric Service.
- Z. Late Payment Charge (LPC). A Charge prescribed by Ordinance for late payment of charges.
- AA. Engineering Charge (EC). A Charge corresponding to the estimated cost of preparing working drawings, specifications, and cost estimates to establish a "Service Origination Charges(s)"; and for preparation of a proposed contract for completion of the requested construction at a specified time.
- A. Utility Services – Electric, water, sewer, yard waste, and refuse services that are provided by the City or its designated provider.

(2010-M-7 : § 1; 1992-M-71 : § 1)